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Interested Parties

RE: Extension of Comment Period for Public Notice MT-16-16 for Montana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit MT0031861

Dear Interested Party:

The Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is extending the public comment period for the draft Montana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MPDES) permit, fact sheet, and environmental assessment for the Montana Artesian Water Company. Due to a publishing error the wrong fact sheet was posted on the website for approximately one week from July 15, 2016 to July 20, 2016. To ensure that all of the relevant documents are available for public review and comment for the full 30-day comment period. DEQ is extending the public comment period until **August 15, 2016** providing the public an additional 10 days to comment on the draft MPDES permit.

Please note the public hearing is *not* rescheduled. **The public hearing will be held on August 1, 2016.** During the public hearing DEQ will record public comments on the MPDES permit. **The public hearing is scheduled to begin at 6:00 PM on August 1, 2016, in the Creston School gymnasium located at 4495 Montana Highway 35, Kalispell, Montana.**

All persons, including the applicant, who believe any condition of a draft permit is inappropriate or in error, or that the tentative decision to issue the permit is incorrect must submit these concerns in writing to DEQ prior to close of the public comment period. DEQ must consider all comments in making a final decision to issue the permit and in preparing a final permit.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon Kenning", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Jon Kenning, Chief  
Water Protection Bureau  
Water Quality Division